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**Teacher License Actions, Rule**

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**The Background:**

Pursuant to State Board of Education Rule 0520-2-4-.01(9)(b) the State Board of Education may revoke, suspend or refuse to issue or renew a license for several reasons listed in the rule.

Currently under the rule, there is no option for the State Board to issue a formal reprimand for a license holder who engages in conduct which may not rise to the level of a suspension, but where Board action is required. Amending the rules to include formal reprimand as an option would ensure that those instances of misconduct are not only recorded with the State Board of Education, but are also reported to the National Association of State Directors of Teacher Education and Certification (NASDTEC) Clearinghouse.

**The Recommendation:**

SBE staff recommends adoption of this item on final reading.

### **Proposed Rule Revision**

The title of Rule 0520-02-04-.01(9)(6) Denial, Suspension and Revocation of License is amended by deleting the entire title and replacing it with “Denial, Formal Reprimand, Suspension and Revocation of License”

Rule 0520-02-04-.01(9)(6)(b) Denial, Suspension and Revocation of License is amended by deleting the phrase “The State Board of Education may revoke, suspend or refuse to issue or renew a license for the following reasons:” and replacing it with “The State Board of Education may revoke, suspend, reprimand formally or refuse to issue or renew a license for the following reasons:”

Rule 0520-02-04-.01(9)(6)(d) Notice of Hearing is amended by deleting the phrase “Any person whose license is to be denied, suspended or revoked under part (b) ” and replacing it with “Any person whose license is to be denied, formally reprimanded, suspended or revoked under part (b)”

**Authority:** *T.C.A. §§49-1-302, 49-1-607, 49-5-108, 49-5-108(d)(2), 49-5-5201, 49-5-5602, 49-5-5605, and Public Chapter No. 535 -(Education Improvement Act).*